

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording method utilizing a terminal device having a broadcast signal receiving function and a communication function, comprising:

detecting an incoming or outgoing call during receiving of a broadcast signal; and
inquiring whether the broadcast signal should be recorded or not when an incoming or outgoing call is detected.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A broadcast recording method according to claim 1, further comprising:

detecting termination of an [[the]] incoming or outgoing call; and
~~detecting recovery of the receiving of the broadcast signal; and~~
stopping recording of the broadcast signal when the termination of an [[the]] incoming or outgoing call is detected ~~or when recovery of the receiving of the broadcast signal is detected~~.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A broadcast recording method according to claim 1 [[2]], further comprising:

detecting termination of an incoming or outgoing call; and
playing back recorded broadcast signal information, when the termination of an incoming or outgoing call is detected when the recording of the broadcast signal is stopped.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording method according to claim 1, wherein the broadcast signal is recorded in a recording device installed in the terminal device.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording method according to claim 1, wherein the broadcast signal is recorded in a recording device installed in an external recording server.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording method utilizing a terminal device having a broadcast signal receiving function and a communication function, comprising:

detecting an incoming or outgoing call during receiving of a broadcast signal;
detecting a failure to receive the broadcast signal during the receiving of a broadcast; and

recording the broadcast signal in the terminal device or in a recording device installed in an external recording server when an incoming or outgoing call is detected or recording the broadcast signal in a recording device installed in an external recording server when a failure to receive the broadcast signal is detected.

Claim 7 (Canceled).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): An information terminal device comprising a broadcast signal receiving function and a communication function, wherein the device comprises a detector, and a transmitter for transmitting a command signal for recording a currently received broadcast signal in an external recording server when the detector detects that the broadcast signal cannot be received.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): An information terminal device according to claim 8, wherein the currently received broadcast signal is recorded when an outgoing or incoming call is detected.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): An information terminal device comprising a broadcast signal receiving function and a communication function, wherein a currently received broadcast signal is recorded when an outgoing or incoming call is detected during receiving of a broadcast signal, wherein the information terminal device comprises an interface configured to inquire whether the currently received broadcast signal should be recorded or not.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): An information terminal device according to claim 10, wherein the information terminal device further comprises a transmitter for transmitting a command signal to record the currently received broadcast signal on an external recording server when it is detected that the broadcast signal cannot be received.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A communication device comprising:
a broadcast signal receiver for receiving a broadcast signal;
a receiving-status detector for detecting a status of the broadcast signal receiving;
a receiving signal recorder for recording broadcast information acquired from the received broadcast signal,

~~an incoming outgoing~~ a call detector for detecting an incoming or outgoing call, or termination of an incoming or outgoing call; and

a recording-start/playback ~~recording-start/recording-stop/playback~~ command information generating circuit for generating recording-start, ~~recording-stop~~, and playback command ~~playback-command~~ information,

wherein the recording-start/playback ~~recording-start/recording-stop/playback~~ command information generating circuit sends recording command information for

recording the broadcast information to an external recording server via a communication network when a broadcast signal receiving failure is detected by the receiving-status detector, sends recording command information for recording the broadcast information to an external recording server via a communication network when an incoming or outgoing call is detected by the ~~incoming-outgoing~~ call detector and/or notifies the receiving signal recorder about broadcast signal recording command information.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A communication device according to claim 12, wherein the recording-start/playback ~~recording start/recording stop/playback~~ command information generating circuit sends the recording command information for recording the broadcast information to the external recording server via the communication network when the ~~incoming-outgoing~~ call detector detects an incoming or outgoing call and also when the receiving signal recorder cannot perform recording.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): A communication device according to claim 12, comprising:

a playback information receiver for receiving playback information from the recording server via the communication network; and

a playback portion for playing back the playback information,
wherein the recording-start/playback ~~recording start/recording stop/playback~~ command information generating circuit sends playback ~~recording stop~~ command information to stop playback ~~recording~~ of the broadcast information to the external recording server via the communication network when restoration of broadcast signal receiving is detected by the receiving status detector and, sends playback command ~~recording stop~~ information to playback stop recording of the broadcast information to the external recording server via the communication network when termination of a call is detected by the ~~incoming-outgoing~~ call detector and/or reports playback command ~~the recording stop~~ information to the receiving signal recorder.

Claims 15-17 (Canceled).

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording system comprising a recording server including a recording device and an information terminal device having broadcast signal functions and communication functions, wherein

the recording server records broadcast information being received by the information terminal device when a failure of receiving is detected during receiving of the broadcast information by the information terminal device.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording system according to claim 18, wherein the recording server stops recording of the broadcast information when the information terminal device detects recovery of the receiving of the broadcast information.

Claim 20 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording system according to claim 18, wherein the recording server records broadcast information currently received by the information terminal device when the information terminal device starts communicating during the receiving of broadcast information.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording system according to claim 18, wherein the recording server stops recording of the broadcast information when the information terminal device stops communicating.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): A program stored on a computer-readable storage medium for implementing the broadcast recording method according to claim 1.

Claim 23 (Original): A recording medium holding a program for implementing the broadcast recording method of claim 22.

Claims 24-46 (Canceled).

Claim 47 (Currently Amended): A broadcast recording method utilizing a terminal device having a broadcast signal receiving function and a communication function, comprising: according to claim 1, wherein recording a [[the]] broadcast signal is recorded in a recording device installed in an external recording server when it is impossible to record the broadcast signal in a recording device installed in the terminal device.

Claims 48-56 (Canceled).

Claim 57 (Previously Presented): A broadcast recording method utilizing a terminal device having a broadcast signal receiving function and a communication function, comprising:

detecting a failure to receive a broadcast signal during receiving of a broadcast; and

recording the broadcast signal when a failure of receiving broadcast signal is detected.

Claim 58 (Currently Amended): A broadcast recording method according to claim 57, wherein the broadcast signal is recorded in a recording device installed in an external recording server ~~when it is impossible to record the broadcast signal in a recording device installed in the terminal device.~~

Claims 59 and 60 (Canceled).

Claim 61 (New): An information terminal device having a broadcast signal receiving function and a communication function, the device comprising:
a detector; and
a transmitter for transmitting a command signal to record a currently recording broadcast signal on an external recording server when the detector detects that the broadcast signal cannot be recorded in a recording device installed in the terminal device.